

PERFORMANCE GOALS FOR JUMBO BROILERS		
AGE IN WEEKS	AVERAGE WEIGHT	FEED CONSUMED PER WEEK
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9	0.31 0.78 1.46 2.44 3.55 4.65 5.64 6.60 7.49	.80 1.10 1.45 1.68 1.97 2.01 2.07 2.40 2.55

To help avoid leg problems and heart attacks, consider mildly restricting feed to your Jumbo Broilers. Starting at two weeks let Broiler's run out of feed or remove feeders by 8 p.m. (this really works). It is important to check weights at 4 and 6 weeks of age.

## **Helpful Poultry Hints**

Always know the brooding temperature. A thermometer is your cheapest investment. A temperature of 90 degreases is recommended to start chicks. Reduce temperature 5 degrees a week until 70 degrease room temperature is reached. Chicks should be evenly spread around heat source. Allow at least ½ sq. ft. per bird. You can tell when chicks are comfortable by the way they move around eating and drinking. A 250 watt bulb 18-24 inches above floor to start for each 80 chicks is recommended. Litter must remain clean and dry, shavings, peat moss, and rice hulls work best. Avoid newspaper or straw-they cause leg problems. Keep air fresh with no drafts. A chick guard 18" high for the first 10 days helps. Allow one gallon of fresh water for each 50 chicks. The feeders and waterers should be raised as chicks grow, keeping them level to chickens back.